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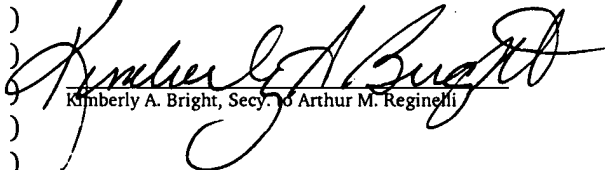
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For METHOD OF IMPROVING)
CARBON BLACK DISPERSION)
IN RUBBER COMPOSITION)


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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 16, 2004, and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 14, 2005, the Applicants, through their attorney, respond as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.